



President Yitzhak Navon and his wife Ofra are met by Secretary of State George Shultz (right) when the presidential party arrived in Washington yesterday. (UPI Telephoto)

Navon in sunny Washington

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Yitzhak Navon, amid speculation that he may be a future prime minister of Israel, arrived in Washington yesterday morning for what the White House has termed an "official working visit."

Navon came on an Israel Air Force plane with his wife Ofra and a small entourage that included U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis. He was greeted at Andrews Air Force Base by Israel Ambassador Moshe Arens and U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Nicholas Veliotis.

From there, he flew by helicopter to the Washington Monument where Secretary of State George Shultz met him and accompanied him by limousine to his hotel. The two then conferred for nearly an hour.

"I am grateful to the president of the U.S. for giving us this opportunity to meet with him and to discuss relations between the U.S. and Israel and problems of mutual interest," Navon said.

Noting that he had left a snowy Jerusalem and touched down in a sunny Washington, he said: "I wish you bright days."

Navon told reporters on the plane that the timing of his nine-day visit to the U.S. capital, Boston and New York had nothing to do with his scheduled announcement next month about his personal plans for the future. He added that he would try to present to the administration a picture of the situation in Israel at present and discuss the possibilities of resuming Egyptian-Israeli autonomy talks.

But while discussing issues on which Israelis differ, Navon would not take a stand on controversial matters or negotiate, he said.

Today Navon will be the first Israeli president to be received in the White House for what is termed an "official working visit." President Ronald Reagan will host a luncheon today that will include his wife Nancy and Ofra Navon.

The Navons will present the Reagans with a Yemenite silver Hanukkiya and Nancy Reagan with a gold pin depicting a mother and child.

The White House visit will follow a trip to Mount Vernon. A Jewish rally organized at a synagogue will follow in the afternoon.

Last night Navon was due to attend a dinner with 60 American Jewish leaders. Mrs. Navon spent the afternoon visiting an educational complex for the deaf.

Before he left Israel, Navon was seen off at Ben-Gurion Airport by a number of government officials and other personalities, including Prime Minister Menachem Begin, Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres, the two chief rabbis, the chairman of the Jewish Agency, the governor of the Bank of Israel, the state comptroller, and the attorney-general.

Navon made no statement before leaving.

More rain through Friday

The rain will continue intermittently today, intensify tomorrow and start tapering off on Friday, weather forecasters at the meteorological institute at Beit Dagan said yesterday after studying satellite photographs of the region.

Temperatures will remain low, warming up by one degree at most, duty weatherman Albert Yona said. But there is a good chance of clear weather in time for Saturday's football matches, he said.

There is a possibility of snow in the hilly regions in the North and in Lebanon, but no snow is expected in Jerusalem and vicinity.

The water level in Lake Kinneret has risen by 4 centimetres in the past two days, representing 6.4 million cubic metres of water.

Meanwhile, the Tel-Aviv-Jaffa municipality has begun distributing grants of 15700 to 151,500 to elderly persons who cannot afford to heat their homes. The municipality has also started an outreach programme to locate other elderly persons who need the special grants, consisting of both privately donated and municipal funds.

Shamir-Draper talks to be held today

Last night's scheduled meeting between Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and U.S. envoy Morris Draper was postponed until today, the Foreign Ministry spokesman announced last night.

It was reported that Draper had been delayed in Lebanon by bad weather.

The talks by Israeli, Lebanese and U.S. delegations resume at Kiryat Shmona tomorrow.

Netanya's crumbling cliffs pose serious problem

By GEOFF SIFFRIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETANYA. — Despite concern that Netanya's crumbling cliffs remain a danger to life four years after a snubther was killed when a segment buried her, authorities here say that no significant engineering work has been done to solve the problem — and that no one is sure exactly how to go about it.

Recent heavy rains, which are said to be one factor destabilizing the seaside cliffs, have brought the problem into focus again.

"On an average Saturday during the summer, over 25,000 people visit the Netanya beach," city official Abir Molad said yesterday. "We cannot stop them sitting under the cliffs and I am afraid another tragedy will occur."

The 15-40-metre high cliffs run along the entire length of Netanya's 13-kilometre coastline.

Molad, who is responsible for the development and maintenance of beach facilities, said he has been unable to take action to prevent another accident because no clear directive has been formulated about what action to take.

A year ago the Knesset took up the problem, at the behest of Netanya MK Yehuda Hashai. It was recommended that a multidisciplinary body of experts study the question. The studies continue, along with limited experiments. But beyond the posting of warning signs to keep people from approaching the cliff edges, and forbidding construction closer to the edge, little has been done.

At the end of the month, Molad and other Netanya officials will meet again with Interior Ministry officials to discuss the problem. He says: "We have had experts from many institutions such as the Technion, Tahal (the water-planning authority), marine engineers and others giving their views, but so far there is no general agreement on what to do."

The erosion and collapse, which annually brings the cliff edge one to one-and-a-half metres closer to the town's buildings, is caused by natural as well as man-made factors. The former includes geological tensions in the different layers composing the cliffs, shrinkage and expansion due to alternate wetting and drying of the cliff-material in the winter rains, and the pounding of seawaves at the cliff bottom in parts where the beach is narrow.

Man-made factors include land tremors due to heavy vehicles driving close to the edge, as well as explosions in the area. There is also the added weight on the cliff-top due to dumping of building debris and garbage, and the building of tall apartments. Finally, the draining of

Warsaw Pact meets under Andropov

PRAGUE (AP). — Military and political leaders of the Warsaw Pact met yesterday at their first summit conference in more than two years, as East Bloc media unleashed a barrage of criticism against U.S. arms policy.

It was the first meeting of the seven-national political consultative committee since May, 1980 in Warsaw, and the first under the leadership of Yuri Andropov, the former Soviet secret police chief who succeeded Leonid Brezhnev as party leader in November.

Official statements indicated that the party and military leaders would endorse recent proposals by Andropov for curbing the East-West arms race.

Last month Andropov said Moscow was willing to reduce Soviet strategic nuclear weapons by more than 25 per cent if the U.S. would do the same.

41 more killed in Tripoli

BEIRUT (AP). — Rival Muslim militias battled with artillery and multiple rocket launchers in the northern port city of Tripoli yesterday. Police said 41 people were killed and uncontrolled fires destroyed several buildings in the fifth straight day of combat.

It was the heaviest single-day death toll in the seven-week-old battle for dominance of Tripoli between pro-Syrian Alawite and Palestinian-backed Sunni Muslim militiamen that has so far claimed 144 lives, police said.

Thousands of inhabitants with dwindling food supplies have remained huddled in basements and bomb shelters for five days in the seaside slums of the city.

According to police, there was no running water or electricity in the hardest hit neighbourhoods of Baal Mohsen, Bab el-Tahaneh and Kubbah. Hospitals sent out appeals for medical supplies to treat hundreds of wounded people in the city of 500,000, police said.

Former Lebanese prime minister Rashid Karumi, Tripoli's leading politician, travelled to Damascus yesterday in an attempt to get the Syrian government to intervene.

Panel rejects MK pay hike

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The Knesset Finance Committee yesterday rejected by seven votes to five a proposal to raise the salaries of ministers and deputy ministers retroactively from October, a move which also blocked an automatic pay hike for MKs.

The committee was debating a proposal to adjust ministers' wages twice a year on the basis of the increase of the average wage in April and October, starting from last October.

At present the wages of ministers and deputy ministers are adjusted in April, when increases paid to them as cost of living allowances are compared to the increase in the average wage and raised accordingly.

Since the basic \$145,000 monthly salary of the House members is linked to that of deputy ministers, the committee's approval of the proposal would have meant an increase to MKs' salaries.

2 IDF soldiers said kidnapped in Lebanon

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Armed men kidnapped two Israeli soldiers deep behind Israeli lines south of Beirut yesterday, Lebanese security sources said.

The sources said the incident happened yesterday afternoon near the coastal town of Jijeh, about 20 kilometres from Beirut.

An Israeli military spokesman at the hill village of Yaze outside Beirut said Israeli military authorities were checking the report.

The rightist Voice of Lebanon radio said the two soldiers were driving a tanker when they were seized. The Israeli army blocked off the road and combed the area, it said.

Shamir charges 'foreign agents' hinder talks

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir charged last night that certain Moslem leaders in Lebanon who were opposed to peaceful relations with Israel did not really represent the great majority of the Lebanese people but were "agents of foreign interests."

These Moslem leaders, whom Shamir did not name, were "the instruments of pressure" in the hands of the Arab states — "Syria, Saudi Arabia, even Egypt too" — which were urging Lebanon not to conclude a normalization accord.

"The world is silent and no one protests" against this pressure upon Lebanon, Shamir noted. Instead, Israel is accused, in a Beirut newspaper, of seeking to pressure Lebanon into peaceful relations with her.

In fact, the foreign minister said, such peaceful relations were a vital common interest shared by Israel and Lebanon. But Israel had learned from experience that it could only reach peaceful relations with an Arab state if that Arab state broke free from Pan-Arab pressures. That was what would eventually happen with Lebanon (as it

had happened with Egypt when president Anwar Sadat made his historic journey to Jerusalem), and then with Jordan and with other states too.

It was "an illusion therefore," Shamir argued, for people in Israel and abroad to set their hopes on King Hussein's obtaining an all-Arab mandate, or a mandate from the PLO, to deal with Israel. "Even the most 'moderate' Israeli would reject proposals that Hussein would produce under such a mandate."

The foreign minister was the keynote speaker at the sixth Bnei Akiva international convention in (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

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Israel warns Syria on SAM-5s

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

Israel yesterday issued a warning to Syria that it was concerned over the decision to deploy SAM-5 long-range anti-aircraft missiles in Syria. This would be the first time that the missiles, of which the Soviets are said to have 1,200 launchers, will be deployed outside the Soviet Union. Israel's concern was issued through a highly irregular announcement from the army spokesman noting that the Syrians were building two SAM-5 sites deep in Syria. The statement did not name the locations of the sites, and noted that they were not yet manned. An officer with the IDF spokesman's office yesterday could not explain officially why his office decided to issue the statement. He said, he was "a technician" and not responsible for policy decisions.

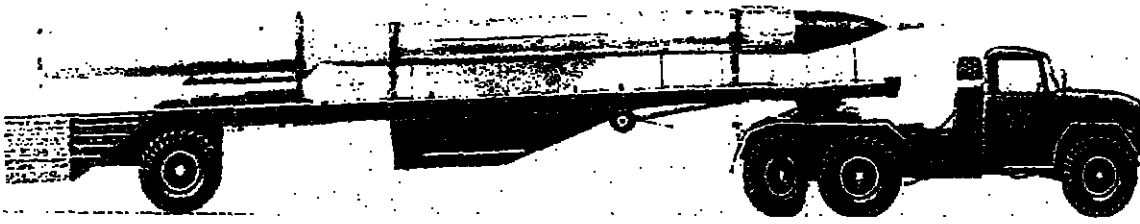
The SAM-5, regarded in Israel as a threat, has a range of about 250 kilometres and an operational ceiling of 29 kms. The deployment of the missile inside Syria would threaten the relative freedom Israel enjoys in aerial reconnaissance over Syria. Of greater importance, the missile deployment would seem to indicate a change in Soviet policy

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The SAM-5 long-range anti-aircraft missile for which bases are reportedly being prepared in Syria.

Sharon defends stance in talks

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon said yesterday that nothing he had revealed to the press in mid-December had an adverse effect on the negotiations with Lebanon.

On the contrary, he said, the negotiations were now proceeding with full force, with the declared goal of arriving at security and normalization arrangements between the two countries.

Sharon was replying to a motion for the agenda by Elazar Granot (Alignment-Mapam), who called on the prime minister to replace Sharon both as a representative of Israel in the negotiations with Lebanon and as defence minister. The motion was defeated by a vote of 54-45.

Granot charged that from the beginning Sharon had distorted the facts about the war and that last month he had leaked information to the press about his contacts with the Lebanese, that could have torpedoed negotiations. Press reports about a "sensational breakthrough," based on these leaks, had caused the Lebanese an end of embarrassment, Granot said.

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Mubarak denies talks on ties with Soviets

CAIRO (AP). — President Hosni Mubarak said yesterday no contacts were under way with Moscow to normalize frayed bilateral relations.

This was his response to a reporter's question on whether Egypt and the Soviet Union were expected to exchange ambassadors soon.

"Such reports are unfounded," he said. "There are not even any contacts (with Moscow)."

Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali on Monday denied a report published by the Baghdad newspaper Al-Thawra on Sunday that a "distinguished Soviet personality will visit Cairo shortly to discuss normalization of bilateral relations."



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	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
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Golan	99	3-6	6
Nahariya	83	3-12	12
Safed	98	2-12	12
Haifa Port	63	8-13	13
Tiberias	86	8-13	13
Nazareth	90	4-8	8
Afula	79	7-13	13
Shomron	91	1-4	8
Tel Aviv	95	8-12	13
B-G Airport	88	8-11	12
Jericho	54	9-16	16
Gaza	77	7-13	13
Beerseba	65	4-12	14
Elit	36	4-17	18

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The annual award of some 100 scholarships, given by the Jerusalem Rotary Club to outstanding pupils, will take place at City Hall at 6 this evening, in cooperation with Jerusalem municipality. Recipients are Jewish and Arab high-school pupils, attending schools under the supervision of the Education Department of the City of Jerusalem.

Professor Gabriel Ben-Dor of Haifa University will speak on the Implications of the Lebanon War at the Haifa Rotary Club, Nof Hotel, 1 p.m. today.

The Association of Israel Journalists, Jerusalem, continues its lecture series on the excavations at the City of David with a lecture by the head of the dig, Dr. Yigal Shilo, to be held on Tuesday, January 11, at 8 p.m. at the Shaver auditorium in Beit Agran, 37 Hillel St., Jerusalem. The public is invited.

High school pupils plan mass rallies

Jerusalem Post Staff

Thousands of high school pupils will demonstrate tomorrow in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Ramat Gan to protest sanctions by their teachers, who have refused for the past month to grade papers and tests to support their demand for the implementation of the Etzioni Commission recommendations. Today leaders of the Histadrut Teachers Union are scheduled to meet with Education Minister Zevulun Hammer to discuss these demands.

The pupils will hold mass rallies at Kikar Malchei Yisrael in Tel Aviv, the Orde cinema in Ramat Gan and Liberty Bell park in Jerusalem, while smaller demonstrations will be staged outside the Secondary School Teachers Association headquarters in Tel Aviv and the Ministries of Finance and Education in the capital.

Driver dies after crossroads collision

KIRYAT MALACHI (Itim).

Shalom Weizman, 35, was killed yesterday after the vehicle he was driving was struck by a truck at the Arugut-Talmel Yosef crossroads near Ashkelon. The driver of the truck was held by police for interrogation.

In Kiryat Malachi, two youths, aged 16 and 17, appeared before a juvenile court charged with stealing more than 45 cars in the past seven months. During the trial they admitted that they had been involved in at least seven road accidents, three of them serious.

HOME NEWS

Hussein seeks Arab mandate for U.S. plan

RIYADH (AP). — Jordanian King Hussein was reported yesterday to be seeking a united-Arab mandate to start "substantive" talks with the U.S. on practical procedures for Arab-Israeli peace talks.

The disclosure of Hussein's mandate request came from the PLO's Khaled al-Hassan, who unofficially accompanied Hussein during his U.S. talks last month.

Al-Hassan was asked by the Saudi afternoon newspaper *Al Jazeera* about the possibility of Hussein returning to the U.S. and starting substantive negotiations with the U.S. administration on getting Arab-Israeli peace talks off the ground.

"The answer rests with the ability of the Arab states to accommodate the American programme," al-Hassan replied in apparent reference to President Ronald Reagan's Arab-Israeli peace proposals, which evolve on Palestinian self-government within a confederation with Jordan.

"An Arab decision (on this) and Arab support to King Hussein are very important," he said.

The Saudi press agency interpreted al-Hassan's statement as "a hint on the possibility of convening an Arab summit conference to review the American stance and give Hussein an Arab mandate to pursue talks with the American administration."

Soviet Jews intimidated, MKs warned

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

Government officials warned the Knesset Aliya Committee yesterday that the Soviet authorities are currently mounting a campaign of violent repression against the attempts of Soviet Jews to organize, in general, and to study Hebrew, in particular, in the principal cities.

Aim of the campaign is to deter and intimidate aliya activists, the committee was told. In Odessa recently, aliya activists were physically assaulted in order to intimidate them, the officials charged.

The committee, which also received a report on the arrest of aliya activist Yosef Begun, for the third time, was told that if Begun were charged under para. 70 of the Soviet criminal code, which refers to treason, he could be sent to prison for life. No aliya activist before him has ever been arrested three times running.

Begun, a Hebrew teacher had Hebrew books in his possession when he was arrested. The income tax authorities told him that "the profession of Hebrew teacher does not exist outside the universities" when he tried to report that he earned his living teaching Hebrew.

The officials reported that demonstrations outside Soviet embassies against the threat of a show trial against Begun are now being organized in many countries in an effort to arouse public opinion.

The Knesset committee intends to contact members of the U.S. Congress and of various parliaments to advise them of the impending trial.

'Israel world's 7th exporter of arms'

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The Christian Science Monitor newspaper in a lengthy article yesterday on the Israeli arms industry, said Israel ranks seventh in the world in arms exports.

"There are times when Israel's role as pariah selling to pariahs can work in the interests of Washington," it said. "U.S. military sales to Taiwan, for instance, increasingly are being complicated by mainland China's displeasure. Because Washington thinks in global terms, this obstacle is formidable. Israel does not have such constraints. Its foreign policy normally is geared to regional, not global, interests. It can sell to Taiwan without upsetting the superpower balance (and has sold millions of dollars worth of Gabriel missiles and light weapons there)."

The newspaper said Israel last year earned \$1 billion in arms exports.



A bandaged Elizabeth Taylor chats with Prime Minister Menachem Begin at his Jerusalem office yesterday.

Peace is important, Liz tells Begin

Actress Elizabeth Taylor met Prime Minister Menachem Begin for about 20 minutes in his Jerusalem office yesterday. Taylor wore a neck brace, her left leg was heavily bandaged and her right hand was partially bandaged, all as a result of a car collision in the Negev on Saturday.

One of Begin's aides said afterwards it was clear she had been "in great pain."

The Prime Minister was solicitous about her condition and questioned her about the accident.

Taylor referred to her solo 'peace mission', and said a settlement between Israel and Lebanon was important to her — to which Begin replied that it was "very important to all of us." Begin reviewed the negotiations with Lebanon and said

Israel hoped they would lead to a new relationship between the two countries.

Today Taylor will fly to Beirut to meet Lebanese President Amin Gemayel and visit Israeli troops.

The actress' visit to Shaare Zedek hospital yesterday afternoon delayed for two hours but she was still mobbed by crowds including doctors and newsmen.

The actress was scheduled to unveil a plaque in her honour in the pediatric wing at 2.30 p.m., but only made a dramatic entrance in a wheelchair at 4.30. Medical staff, patients and visitors stampeded the corridors of the sixth floor to catch a glimpse of her.

Her escorts and members of the hospital's public relations department pleaded with the crowd to

move back to allow her to enter the children's playroom.

When Taylor was wheeled into the playroom, one of the members of her party attempted to bar the press and blows were exchanged.

Once in the playroom Taylor was photographed with hospitalized youngsters. She received the Shaare Zedek medal from hospital director Prof. Arthur Rosene and unveiled the plaque which read: "Pediatric wing in honour of Elizabeth Taylor for her outstanding humanitarian activity, her devoted efforts for the State of Israel and her endeavours for peace in the Middle East."

She also visited the Hebrew University where she met the president, Avraham Harman, and the vice-president, Simha Dinitz.

Farmers take hungry gazelles to court

Four Galilee settlements are petitioning the High Court of Justice to order the Agriculture Ministry and the Nature Reserves Authority to carry out a "drastic thinning out" of gazelle herds, which the petitioners claim are destroying their crops.

Kibbutzim Ein Gev, Tel Katzir and Ha'on, and Moshav Ramot complain that the gazelles — a protected species — feed off their fields and orchards, annually destroying millions of shekels worth of avocados, mangos, wheat, corn and cotton.

"The expansion of the (gazelle) population as a result of its being completely protected, without any consideration for the farmers on the one hand, and the fields and orchards which provide it with superb food on the other, have brought about the almost complete destruction of branches of our settlement's agriculture," the petition states.

The petitioners are asking, among other things, for the court to order a thinning of the gazelle herds, to require the authorities to fence off their land and to permit the farmers controlled hunting of the animals. Justice Shlomo Levin has set a hearing before a panel of three judges. (Itim)

Two moshavim to close illegal camps

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two moshavim, Herut and Mishmeret, yesterday announced that within a month they will get rid of their illegal camps for Arab labourers.

The Agriculture Ministry has initiated steps to bring the moshav residents to court, and stopped all services to the two settlements, which are near Netanya. The Histadrut-affiliated Tnuat Hamoshavim also cut relations with them.

In the wake of yesterday's decision by the two moshavim, the Moshav Movement and the Ministry announced they are renewing their relationships starting today.

It was unclear where, in a month's time, the labourers will be sent to sleep overnight. A committee of the Moshav Movement is studying the problem. Among the

El Al may fly by next week

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

El Al may resume its flights by next week, but the airline will not fly on the Sabbath, the company's new director-general Rafi Har Lev told the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday.

The committee has been requested by the government to approve a guarantee for bank loans to El Al totalling \$146 million. From this sum \$100 million are loans needed by the airline to restart its operations, while \$46 million represent existing debts to the bank's overseas branches, not covered presently by any government guarantee.

Appearing before the committee, Har Lev declared that the airline will sell tickets for Sabbath flights, but the customers will be carried by foreign airlines.

The director-general told the committee that he expects future conflicts with the airline employees and their works committees.

Though the new agreement reached with the employees is less than ideal, he said, it is reasonable and permits the renewal of the company's operations.

Lahat doctors council minutes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat tampers with the protocols of municipal council meetings and deletes some parts of them altogether, municipal opposition leader Natan Woloch charged yesterday.

Other municipal councilmen of the opposition yesterday backed Woloch's accusation, citing instances from the council's last meeting.

Deputy mayor Itzhak Caspi had shouted at an opposition faction member: "I'll shut your mouth," but the protocol quotes Caspi as saying the opposition member had threatened to shut Caspi's mouth.

Municipality spokesman Roni Rimon yesterday called Woloch's accusation "libel deriving from a perverse desire for publicity," and demanded an immediate apology.

Rimon said that Lahat does not receive the protocols before they are printed, edited and distributed. He added that the typist is not a municipal employee.

Officer tells of orders to beat Arab residents

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

JAFFA. — The operations officer of the Hebron military government yesterday confirmed that the military commander of the area, Sgan-Aluf (lieut. col.) Shalom Lugassi, had given him and other officers instructions which included beating local residents, pestering them and breaking watches as punishment.

Seren (capt.) Mordechai Artzi was testifying before the Central Command military court here yesterday in the trial of one of his commanders, Rav-Seren (maj.) David Mofaz, and six other soldiers accused of beating and persecuting local Arab residents in the Hebron area during disturbances there last March and April.

Mofaz, a paratroop officer who was deputy commander of the Judea district, has denied the charges, arguing in his defence that the policy laid down by his superiors was to use aggressive and tough measures to restore calm in the area.

He repeated allegations he made last week on the basis of hearsay that Defence Minister Ariel Sharon had said during a discussion about public order in the territories that the army should "rip the testicles off" Arabs caught in demonstrations.

He said that he had been told this by the former legal adviser to the Judea and Samaria civil administration, Rav-Seren Shimon Stein, who had said that the relevant discussion had taken place in the office of the former head of the civil administration, Menachem Milson.

Mofaz also alleged that the military commander of the area,

Sgan-Aluf Ya'acov Hartabi, had ordered him and several other officers in Hebron to remove students from the Islamic College in Hebron in small groups, "detain them, photograph them and deal with them."

Prosecutor: "What did you understand by 'deal with them'?" Mofaz: "I understood to beat them — to deal with those who deserved to be dealt with."

Prosecutor: "Why, as an IDF officer, did you not oppose and report what was a blatantly illegal order?" Mofaz: "That was Yankale's (Hartabi's) manner of speaking, that was the atmosphere and the policy at the time — including to beat detainees."

Mofaz was also asked about the use of tear gas and revealed that Rav-Seren Yuval Neriya, one of the reserve officers who reported the irregularities to the Judge Advocate-General's office, had himself fired tear gas into a school in the village of Shuufat. Mofaz claimed that he had stopped Neriya and told him that his action was illegal.

The head of the Beit Umm council and chairman of the local village league, Jamil Amia, helped Mofaz trace two youths from the village of Beit Kahel whom he is alleged to have beaten as they left the nearby Tarkumiya school.

Mofaz was asked why, according to other witnesses, several of the youths were crying and were made to sit on the side of the road to wait for him. Mofaz said that, as an IDF officer, "I could stop anyone and question him — I could do anything."

Both youths testified yesterday afternoon that Mofaz had not hit them, but had told them to sit and wait for him on the side of the road.

Education Ministry under fire for failing to heat schools

A number of town mayors and chairmen of local authorities accused the Education Ministry yesterday of dodging responsibility for the heating of schools in their areas.

At a meeting of the Knesset Education Committee, Safad Mayor Aharon Nachmias (Alignment-Labour) said he received the sum of IS382,797 by the end of December for heating, but had already spent four times that amount, IS1,314,000.

Tamar Eshel (Alignment-Labour), who is responsible for education in the Jerusalem city council, called the IS2.5m. for heating just promised by the ministry, "a mockery."

Hamad Halaila (Alignment-Labour) a former Arab school principal, said "schools in the Arab sector get no grants at all for heating. In Gush Etzion and Ramat, in Galilee, schools will be closed as of today."

The Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee got a natural foods meal (iv'oni) yesterday and a prediction from natural foods enthusiasts Minister Mordechai Ben-Porat, over the wheat-germ bread and the fruit, that Israel could save \$250 million a year if it imported less meat.

Sugar and salt were absent from the sample lunch, served in the wake of a motion for the agenda presented in the plenum last year by Ben-Porat before he became minister without portfolio.

Ben-Porat said a special health centre should be established where people could learn how to avoid fatty and unhealthy foods. "A lot of Israelis want to go over to a proper diet but they don't know how," he said.

He demanded that wheat-germ be granted the same Treasury subsidy as milled flour, saying that "the government cannot ignore the 50,000 natural food enthusiasts and vegetarians in this country."

Ben-Porat also demanded legislation to regulate the practice of natural medicine.

SHARON IN KNESSET

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What happened? Sharon replied that that had been the first item on the agenda. It was the one item on which there had been no dispute with the Lebanese, and it had already been settled.

As to the rest, patience and coolness were called for. After all, it had taken 15 years to reach a peace agreement with Egypt.

His interview with Dov Goldstein of *Ma'ariv* in mid-December, at a delicate stage, had only advanced the negotiations with Lebanon, Sharon said. "Everything that was supposed to remain secret, remained secret. And that is still true today."

Mordechai Virshubsky (Shinui) moved that Granot's motion be referred to committee.

He said that after Granot had called for Sharon's resignation he had been shocked to see that the government's reply was to be delivered, not by the prime minister (Menachem Begin was present throughout), but by Sharon himself.

This, Virshubsky said, showed "brazenness and a lack of elementary parliamentary courtesy and understanding."

During Granot's speech, a man sitting in the portion of the public gallery not enclosed by glass and usually occupied by guests of MKs and the like, called out: "The people like this minister (Sharon), and not you (Mapam)!"

He turned out to be Meir Yair, deputy mayor of Tiberias. At the order of Deputy Speaker Moshe Shahal, he was ejected from the gallery.

Sharon also replied to a motion for the agenda by Tewfik Zayad (Democratic Front) on "the condition of Palestinian prisoners of war in Israeli detention camps."

The minister announced that the chief military prosecutor about a month ago opened an investigation into claims of torture and disappearance of prisoners from the Ansar prison camp. The investigation is proceeding, he said.

The motion was struck from the agenda by the votes of the coalition. Voting for its referral to committee were the Democratic Front and the Mapam wing of the Alignment. The Labour wing abstained.

SYRIA WARNED ON SAM 5s

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ing a close eye on developments. Other officials said it constituted a warning to the Syrians not to escalate tension in the area by deploying strategic weapons which will have to be destroyed deep inside the Syrian heartland. The credible way to deliver that message, these officials felt, was by a formal expression of concern which also demonstrated the detailed knowledge of Israeli military intelligence on the subject.

One foreign analyst last night, however, saw the statement as Israeli sabre-rattling designed to build up tension between Syria and Israel, in order to detract from potential failure at the Lebanese negotiating table.

The army spokesman's announcement comes after a recent series of military-related stories about the Syrians in the press, including in Friday's *Jerusalem Post*, which, taken together, have served to highlight Israeli concern over Syria's military buildup following Operation Peace for Galilee.

The issue of sophisticated Soviet weapons to Syria was also brought up by opposition Labour leader Shimon Peres at a meeting of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee attended by Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Friday. Shamir said that the government was cognizant of the problem. The minister's remarks were given to the press for quotation.

Despite the flurry of statements, well-placed sources last night said they did not expect an active military situation to develop

between Israel and Syria, unless there is complete failure to get the Syrians to withdraw from Lebanon after agreement is reached with Lebanon, and if there is tacit American approval for such a course.

However, senior military officials last Thursday expressed to *The Post* a concern over the accelerated rate of the Syrian military buildup which they projected would have the Syrian army fully re-equipped and retrained by the end of 1984. By the end of this year new formations will have been armed, but not yet manned.

The SAM-5 seems to be a three-stage missile though some experts say it is two-stage with an active homing radar, enabling it to destroy aircraft or missiles activating a radar. It weighs 30 tons and is 16.5

metres long, making it cumbersome to transport. But it operates independently of a centralized control system and is relatively easy to deploy.

It was first displayed in November, 1963, and was known to be operational in 1967. The current version of the missile deployed in the Soviet Union is more sophisticated than the version originally displayed. Israeli sources would not elaborate on what generation SAM-5 is due to be deployed in Syria, but said that even the original version, because of its range, high operational ceiling and active radar-seeker, poses a significant threat to Israel.

The SAM-5, in addition to being an anti-aircraft missile, is an effective defence against tactical ground-to-ground missiles as well.

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HOME NEWS

Labour for keeping land, Rabin says

EFFRAT (Itim). — The Jordan Valley, Jerusalem, the eastern foothills of Samaria, Gush Etzion and the southern part of the Gaza Strip will always be part of Israel, MK Yitzhak Rabin said in this West Bank settlement yesterday.

Rabin told settlers there was a mistaken impression that the Labour Party was in favour of withdrawing to the Green Line in return for peace. This was untrue, he said, and pointed out that the party has always insisted that there would have to be changes in the old armistice lines.

The former prime minister added that if and when the Jordanians decide to take part in peace talks, they would have to do so under the conditions laid out in the Camp David agreements.

Man shoots self after visit by VAT inspectors

ASHKELON (Itim). — The 57-year-old owner of a carpentry shop here was taken yesterday to a hospital in a serious condition after he apparently shot himself in the chest with a nail-gun.

It was reported that he shot himself after VAT inspectors visited his shop. The man reportedly had a history of feuds with the tax authorities.

SHOT — A 32-year-old man was wounded in the leg by shots fired at him by unknown assailants in Beit Shemesh last night, police said. Police believe the incident is part of an underworld struggle.



The Mount Hebron area regional council uses this jeep to check on illegal building and protect "state lands". Another jeep is operated by the Gush Etzion regional council. Each patrol consists of two armed settlers and the jeeps are equipped with radios supplied by the army. (Zoom 77)

Peace Now warns against violence by teams of settlers

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Peace Now movement has asked the West Bank military government to prevent what it anticipates as imminent "acts of violence by Jewish settlers" against local Arab inhabitants.

The movement based its appeal on a military government document which states that Science and Technology Minister Yuval Ne'eman and his assistant, MK Hanan Porat (both of Tebiya) are helping to set up "supervisory teams" to guard state lands which use "a different language" from that which the military government employs.

The movement warned that the "teams" probably consisting of Jewish settlers, may be used to deport Arabs who oppose Israeli rule.

The movement warned that it has learned that the Kiryat Arba administration intends to "persuade" and "pressurize" shop owners in the old marketplace of Hebron to leave the area, which was once part of the Jewish quarter of the city.

According to a part of the military government document distributed by Peace Now yesterday, Israeli authorities "often support" Village League requests not to pull down houses built without appropriate licenses by league members or supporters.

NETANYA CLIFFS

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the town's waste water over the cliff edges causes erosion and the creation of steep gulleys down to the beach. It is suspected that the fall which killed sunbather Jeannette Hecht in 1978 was triggered by drainage from a private swimming pool.

Molad wants funding from the government for the building of additional breakwaters off Netanyahu's coastline. He sees this as an indirect way of alleviating the safety problem for beach users. The effect of breakwaters is to widen the beach with two results: to lessen the likelihood of people sitting directly under the cliffs and to reduce the pounding of waves against the cliff bottom.

But breakwaters are very costly. Netanyahu alone, Molad said, could never afford to build them.

But breakwaters will not solve the problem of the cliff collapse.

Netanya's two large breakwaters have not diminished deterioration of the cliff-lengths facing them.

A long-term solution, which Molad believes might eventually be adopted, is to reshape the cliffs, a process likely to be expensive. Instead of its present vertical shape, the cliff-front would be remodelled with earth moving machinery so that it slopes more gently down to the beach, and would be protected at the bottom by a barrier of huge boulders.

The more gentle slope would allow the planting of vegetation, thus further strengthening the cliff. It could also improve public access to the beach through properly constructed stairways going down the slope.

Beyond the question of averting danger to life, Molad said, the city cannot ignore the long-term threat to Netanyahu's buildings posed by the receding cliffs.

Kiryat Motzkin Council sues Jewish Agency

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Kiryat Motzkin city council has sued the Jewish Agency for IS6.5 million for municipal rates and business taxes allegedly owed on the bonded warehouse that the Agency owns in the town's Kerdaneh section. The sum includes interest and linkage.

Giora Sigal, who filed suit for the council in district court, claimed the agency stopped paying its taxes in April 1979, for no apparent reason.

Gazans say it's hard to get visas for Egypt

By ISRAEL AMRANI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Despite past promises, Gaza strip residents who wish to visit their relatives on the Egyptian side of the border face many difficulties in obtaining exit visas from Israeli authorities. The Jerusalem Post has learned.

Residents of Rafah, which was divided between Israel and Egypt on the completion of the withdrawal from Sinai on April 25, told The Post that it is difficult in general to get exit visas. But their chances are nil they said, if they are male, under 26, and single or married without children. Many of them have parents, brothers and sisters across the border, whom they can contact only by shouting across the border the residents said.

Residents also complained that the visa fee of IS1,000 was much too steep for them and discouraged some from applying for a visa. They said that the Egyptians charged them only four Egyptian pounds (about IS160) for their permit. Yehudit Huebner, director of the Immigration Services Department in the interior ministry, confirmed that Gaza Strip residents cannot go from Israel to Egypt as often as they wished, for security reasons. She said that the policy was to allow longer, less frequent visits rather than short, frequent ones. This policy, she said, was laid out by the military authorities; ministry personnel only acted as "contractors."

As for Rafah residents, Huebner said that those who applied for daily passes received them, and that everyone could apply. She declined to comment on the fee.

According to local sources, there are about 80 persons who hold daily passes to West Rafah (Egypt) from East Rafah (Israel) but these are persons who own property and businesses there. Having relatives in West Rafah, they said, was not considered a good enough reason for a daily pass.

Dispute over flaws in condominium

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A condominium residents' committee has brought suit against the company which built their building, seeking compensation for various alleged deficiencies in the central heating, the stairwell, the elevators and other common property.

The company, for its part, contends that the committee cannot bring suit in the name of all the flat owners because the flats were sold according to individual contracts reached with each buyer.

What are the rights of a residents' committee? Is it authorized to sue in the name of all the residents if some of them, in fact, oppose the step? And who exactly is responsible for common areas in a condominium?

These are some of the questions arising from a suit filed recently in the Tel Aviv District Court by the residents' committee of a building at 40 Tabor Street in Ramat Aviv against Edgar, the company which built the 15-storey building.

Serious flaws began to appear in the 58-flat building within a year after it was completed in 1978, the complainant claims, especially in the building's common property.

The complaint contends that the pipes and tanks of the central heating system are not up to Israeli standards; pipes are not insulated; the stairwell is narrower than allowed; and the furnace room is located right next to the shelter, among other things.

The complaint also claims serious flaws in the elevators and the shelter. All of these claims are supported by engineers' reports and evaluations attached to the suit.

The complainant is seeking IS3.5 million in compensation for damages, mental anguish and discomfort.

The defence brief, submitted by the Edgar construction company and signed by company director Gershon Peres, contends that the complainant (i.e. the residents' committee) does not automatically represent the flat owners for the purpose of bringing a suit, according to the law and/or the ordinances governing condominiums.

"The residents' committee," says the defence brief, "is simply a cover name for anonymous complainants from among the flat owners who are seeking rights beyond those allowed them by law."

The defence brief goes on to deny responsibility for any flaws in the building or its equipment, saying that it was turned over to the owners in good working condition and that damage stemmed from "vandalous misuse" on the part of the residents.

The respondent also calls into question the reliability of the "experts" who submitted reports on behalf of the complainant.

No date has been set for hearing the case.

Tel Aviv ups fines for various offences

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — At the request of Justice Minister Moshe Nissim, the Tel Aviv municipal executive on Monday decided to raise the optional fines on violation of municipal by-laws.

Among the new fines: for entering the sea with a contagious disease, raised from IS30 to IS300; for unlicensed peddling, raised from IS250 to IS2,500; for slaughtering chickens anywhere but in a slaughterhouse, raised from IS250 to IS2,500; for polluting the sea or river waterways, raised from IS250 to IS2,500; for smoking in entertainment centres such as cinemas, raised from IS75 to IS1,000; and for littering, raised from IS75 to IS1,000.

Merom Hagalil council warned about water

A stern warning has been given to Merom Hagalil regional council that their drinking water supply is in constant danger of contamination by sewage.

Council chairman Shimon Kadosh was told in a letter from the Health Ministry that this danger results from a long period of neglect that must be corrected immediately. The letter also reminded Kadosh that waste water from Merom Hagalil drains into Lake Kinneret, thus endangering the national water supply.

Ports Authority official cleared of taking bribe

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A senior reserve officer in the Air Force yesterday was acquitted in district court here of charges that he took a bribe while serving in a senior position in the Ports Authority.

Aluf-Mishne (Colonel) Ya'acov Inbar, 40, from Rishon LeZion, was accused of accepting electrical equipment worth about IS200 from a contractor in 1979, in exchange for giving the contractor inside information concerning a public tender for work in Ashdod port. Inbar heads the authority's construction branch.

The contractor, Mordechai Cohen, was convicted of attempted bribery in the case half a year ago and sentenced to four months' imprisonment. A former subordinate of Inbar's — who left the Ports Authority during the police investigation — is suspected of giving Cohen the information without Inbar's knowledge.

During the trial information was given which reinforced Inbar's innocence. Police, acting on a tip supplied by an informant, set an ambush for Cohen outside Inbar's home, where Cohen had told the informant he would give Inbar a television set as a bribe. Cohen entered Inbar's home with a TV — but carried it out with him after Inbar refused his offer.

Murdered TA man worth '\$70 million'

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A police investigator said yesterday that Abba Sheinbaum, who was murdered last Thursday in Tel Aviv, was worth \$70 million and owned about "half the central bus station."

Rav-Pakad Yitzhak Lushi said this when applying to magistrates court here for an extension of the remand of Said Samargandi and Najy Chichi, who are suspected of the shooting.

Police earlier released Najy's twin brother, Avraham Chichi for lack of any evidence implicating him in the killing of the 74-year-old businessman.

Lushi said Samargandi had had a business dispute with Sheinbaum, who was found dead in his office. Lushi said that Samargandi refused to undergo a lie-detector test.

Judge Reuven Ziv agreed to extend the remand of the two by three days to enable police to complete a ballistics test and to give both suspects lie detector tests.

New settlers get cable pornovision

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Communications Ministry's public relations department likes to reply promptly to all letters of complaint. But the one that arrived yesterday will have to wait a while — at least until the officials have a word with the legal department.

The letter, from a couple in the new West Bank town of Ma'aleh Ephraim, was of the "We Wuz Robbed" variety. It laid bare a problem that the ministry may be unable to solve.

A few months ago, says the letter, Ma'aleh Ephraim residents were offered cable TV service by the operator of a private television station. The price seemed right, and the transmission line would be so thin and neatly attached to the walls, that it would hardly be visible.

The programme schedule also looked promising: plenty of cartoons, recent-release films and documentaries. So the couple signed up.

All went well until a recent Friday. Settling down in front of The Tube with the kiddies, the pioneering West Bank family waited anxiously for the evening's main performance, a film titled *Alice in Wonderland*. Unfortunately, it turned out to be *Aliz* (gay in Hebrew) in *Wonderland*, and strictly hard pornography.

Anyone can make a mistake. The couple forgot about the whole thing until they were reminded of the "slip-up" two weeks later. This time it was a pornographic film called *Mifgash Mehasug Harevi* (Encounters of the Fourth Kind). This one was just a bit too much, the couple writes. So, would the Communications Ministry please ask the pirate TV operator to refund the money they paid for his service?

The real problem is not the unscrupulous pirate operator who runs out of decent fare and resorts to porn," a ministry official told The Jerusalem Post yesterday. "The problem is that Israel just does not have enough television programming to go around."

"We are a nation of four million modern, media-conscious people. Yet we still have only one TV channel, and that one is divided into three programmes: Arabic TV, Educational TV and Hebrew TV. Why, even Jordan, which has a smaller population than Israel, has two channels and is building a third!"

"Israel needs not only additional TV stations, but laws to regulate cable and closed-circuit TV broadcasting," he added.

Meanwhile, the police are doing their best to close down pirate cable TV stations, said the ministry official, enforcing such statutes as the Building Law, which regulates placement of wiring within domestic structures, and the Telegraph Ordinance, which deals with broadcasting permits.

Police criticized over Kfar Samra illegal building

AFULA (Itim). — A magistrate's court judge here has criticized the police for their handling of a case of illegal construction and instructed the commander of the Emek district to look into the matter and present a report within 30 days.

Judge Aharon Aminof said that police who came to Kfar Samra near here at the beginning of the week to arrest five residents accused of illegal building arrived in a civilian jeep and wearing civilian clothes. He noted that the residents claimed they were beaten.

Aminof ordered the arrested men held another five days.

Future settlers demand promised land

NABLUS (Itim). — The group which plans to live at the new settlement of Kiryat Niftim, between Tel Aviv and Nablus on the trans-Samaria highway, are demanding that they receive all the land originally promised to them.

The head of the group, Zacharia Dori, said that the original 1,000 dunam promised was reduced after a private building concern bought a large section of it. The amount of proposed housing has been cut from 50 units to 25.

Dori said the group had fought for years to set up the settlement. Most of the 50 families who have applied are young couples who have no other housing.

Work on the site had started, and the group plans to move in next spring.

German educators fight rightist tendencies

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Leading German educator Dr. Dieter Wunder said yesterday that he deplores the existence of extreme rightist publications in West Germany, such as the anti-Semitic and neo-Nazi *Nationalzeitung*, and that their sale should not be allowed.

"Reading such papers is too big a temptation for some of our youth," he said.

He was speaking at a press conference to mark the tenth anniversary of the largest West German teachers association, Gewerkschaft Erziehung und Wissenschaft (about 200,000 members), and the Israel Teachers Association, headed by Dr. Shalom Levin.

He said that the West German educational system bears some responsibility for young people rallying to the extreme right, although their numbers are as yet small. It is his experience, he said, that students who want to rebel against their teachers sometimes use the swastika as a symbol, "because they know that we teachers of the older generation are sensitive to that."

Wunder said, however, that the underlying reason for the militancy and xenophobia (especially against Turkish "guest workers") among the young is the high rate of unemployment. About 350,000 of West Germany's two million jobless are young people under 25, he said.

Siegfried Vergin, chairman of the Baden-Wuerttemberg branch of the association, said that efforts by the teachers' union were largely responsible for a recent revision of school books on the teaching of the Holocaust and the Nazi period. Vergin has been in charge of organizing the seminars here for the past five years.

This year's seminar was devoted to teaching the Holocaust. The week-long seminar at Kibbutz Ma'ale Hahamisha outside Jerusalem, which ends today, was attended by 19 educators from West Germany and 14 from Israel.

EXPERTS. — About 150 experts in science teaching, half from Israel and half from abroad, are participating in the Batsheva Seminar on Preservice and Inservice Education of Science Teachers, which opened on Monday at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot.



Danny Bushkanitz, 15, receives a cheque and certificate of merit from Jay Rawlings, secretary of the Apple of Gold society founded by a group of Canadian Protestants to aid victims of terror, as society president Uzi Narkis looks on. Danny, whose parents were killed in the Coastal Road massacre in 1978, plans to use the money to buy musical instruments. (WZO)

Swastika suspect cleared by lab tests

By ISRAEL AMRANI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Following laboratory tests, Jerusalem police yesterday asked the magistrates court to release the Nahlatot quarter resident who was remanded on Friday in connection with swastika daubing in Jerusalem last week.

Police arrested Eliahu Ben-Hamo, 26, on Thursday on suspicion of painting swastikas and anti-Ashkenazi slogans on walls in the capital, in the wake of the fatal shooting of a man during demolition of an illegal addition to his home two weeks ago in the Tel Aviv neighbourhood of Kfar Shalem.

Suspicion was focused on Ben-Hamo after police found 20 jars of paint and a notebook full of swastikas and clippings about the Kfar Shalem incident in his home.

But laboratory tests revealed that while the swastikas were painted in oil paint, the suspect's paints were all gouache, according to a police source.

Tel Aviv police are still holding a suspect, remanded last week for 10 days, in connection with painting swastikas, and writing offensive slogans. Eight other suspects have been released and will not be charged, according to police.

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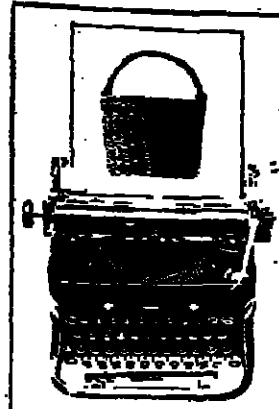
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Guerrilla attacks plunge Kabul into total darkness

ISLAMABAD (AP). — Muslim guerrillas marked the third anniversary of Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan on December 27 by turning off all the lights in Kabul, western diplomatic reports from the Afghan capital said yesterday.

The dispatches said that large sections of the city were plunged into darkness for 48 hours, after guerrilla attacks on several power installations.

They also reported "protracted and intense" fighting in the Karte Nau area, south-east of the city,

between resistance fighters and Soviet and Afghan troops. Soviet forces apparently sent in reinforcements, accompanied by armoured personnel carriers, after guerrillas rocketed a police post and a hotel that caters to party members.

Although the power failure a day earlier put much of the city into total darkness for two days, some areas had power restored within two hours, but at a very low voltage, according to the diplomatic sources.

The power situation finally returned to normal on January 2.

Argentina may again invade Falklands

BUENOS AIRES. — Argentine political leaders, in speeches marking the 150th anniversary of British rule on the Falkland (Malvinas) Island, yesterday said Argentina should not rule out another invasion of the islands if peaceful methods fail to recover them.

However, leaders of the country's main political parties told the independent news agency Noticias Argentinas that Argentina should make every effort to gain control of the Falklands by peaceful means.

Argentina seized the Falklands last April in pursuit of a long-standing claim to sovereignty over the South Atlantic archipelago, but a British seaborne force recaptured the islands in June.

"A new armed intervention in the islands should not be ruled out," Francisco Manrique, leader of the centre-right Federal Party, told Noticias Argentinas. Leaders of the Peronists and Radicals, Argentina's two largest political parties, emphasized that force should only be used in the last resort.

In a military footnote to the conflict, the Argentine air force magazine, *Aerospacio* (aerospace), disclosed Monday that Argentine forces used Soviet-made SAM-7 ground-to-air missiles against Britain. The article did not say how many of the Strela shoulder-fired missiles were used by the staunchly anti-Communist Argentines, but indicated the weapon was not particularly effective. (Reuter, AP)

Founder of British commando unit dies after fall

LONDON (AP). — William Sterling, who with his brother David raised Britain's elite Special Air Service regiment in World War II, has died at age 71, the King Edward VII Hospital for Officers reported Monday.

Hospital staff said he died on Sunday after falling and breaking his leg at his London home. The *Daily Telegraph* said that after the accident he had lain 36 hours in the apartment before he was discovered

and taken to the hospital.

Stirling took over command of the newly formed SAS regiment after his brother was captured by the Germans in 1943. "Colonel Bill," as he was called by his SAS commandos, led them from Tunisia to Sicily and up through Italy in a series of brilliant raids on enemy positions.

The SAS is known today for such cloak-and-dagger exploits as the May 1980 raid on the Iranian Embassy in London.

Stiff penalties for reading smut in China

PEKING (AP). — People who persist in reading pornography can be sent to labour farms and fined \$1,500 under strict laws to stamp out obscene literature, according to a radio station in Guangdong province.

Canton Radio reported the new anti-pornography laws apply even in cases where someone is guilty but solid evidence is lacking.

Those who manufacture, sell, give, or transport pornography must be punished under criminal law when the case is serious, it said. Those who are guilty "but whose criminal cases cannot be es-

tablished," can be sent to re-education-through-labour farms and fined a maximum of 3,000 yuan (\$1,500).

Re-education through labour is considered discipline for less serious offenses that do not warrant a term in harsher labour reform camps.

The regulations in Guangdong, bordering Hong Kong, are part of a campaign against pornographic materials which authorities believe are corrupting Chinese youth.

What the Chinese define as pornography, however, can be considered merely racy by western standards.

Mobster with 10 'wives' jailed for life

ROME (AP). — A court has curbed the amorous activities of an underworld boss who boasted he fathered 27 children by sentencing him to a life prison sentence for homicide, court officials said on Monday.

The Naples court of Assises convicted Luigi Vollaro, 49, a leader of the Camorra — the Neapolitan version of the Mafia — for killing another reputed gangster, Giuseppe Mutillo.

The court heard that local mobsters had nicknamed Vollaro "O' Califo," the caliph, after Islamic potentates, because he boasted he ran a harem with 10 "wives".

Police arrested Vollaro in April last year at his huge villa on the outskirts of Naples near Mount

Vesuvius. In the villa police found 20 children and the women who told police they were his lovers.

Police also confiscated a sub-machine gun, two loaded pistols, a projector and reels of pornographic films.

The court heard that Vollaro fatally wounded Mutillo 30, in an ambush in July, 1980, and later told police he shot the man in revenge for trying to join a rival clan.

MARIJUANA. — The U.S.

government, in a move officials claim could cut marijuana imports by 70 per cent, is going back into the business of helping foreign producers spray their pot plants with the weed-killer paraquat.

Researchers predict heart disease vaccine

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Researchers have discovered a blood component in heart disease patients that could within a decade lead to development of a vaccine, against the disease, according to a leading British heart specialist.

Dr. Vijay Kakkar, 45, director of Thrombosis Research at London's King's College Hospital Medical School, said the discovery could also lead to an early warning signal for susceptibility to heart disease in people as young as 20.

Kakkar said the blood component had been isolated from heart disease patients and is considered a factor in the deaths of one quarter of the victims of the disease under the age of 65.

He estimated that a vaccine would help to save the lives of 250,000 Americans and 60,000

Britons a year as well as millions of other people throughout the world.

The next step for researchers is to grow the bacteria that form that blood component and then develop a serum against them, Kakkar said. The component, peculiar to heart patients, has not yet been named.

"We are very hopeful that in the 1990s and maybe much earlier we will have the vaccine and we will begin to inoculate some of those people we identify as susceptible to heart disease," Kakkar said. Most victims of heart disease die between the ages of 45 and 65 he said, "but if we wait until the age of 45, it is too late, the disease has already started."

While the key to understanding progressive heart disease seems within reach, "We don't yet understand the mechanism that is a factor

10,000 bodies found in Kampuchea graves

BANGKOK (Reuter). — Mass graves of nearly 10,000 people killed by Kampuchea's ousted Khmer Rouge regime have been discovered in western Battambang province, the Vietnamese-backed government in Phnom Penh said yesterday.

The Heng Samrin government announced through its SPK news agency that 20 mass graves were found near an extermination centre inside a former Buddhist pagoda in Songke district.

The Khmer Rouge government has been widely condemned for the deaths of more than a million people during its four-year rule.

It was overthrown just four years ago by a Vietnamese-led invasion but is still recognized by the U.S. as the legitimate government. The Khmer Rouge has joined two non-Communist Kampuchean groups resisting the Vietnamese occupation.

33 killed in collapse of building in Turkey

ANKARA (Reuter). — The bodies of 33 persons have so far been pulled from the wreckage of a seven-storey apartment building which collapsed on Monday in the southeastern Turkish city of Diyarbakir, state radio reported yesterday.

At least 35 others were injured, it said.

The coldest winter temperatures for 50 years, dipping to around minus 40 degrees Centigrade, were hampering rescue teams, the radio said.

Beauty queen's rejected suitor kills himself

AGANA, Guam (AP). — The 26-year-old boyfriend of former Miss World, Kimberly Santos, was found dead from a gunshot wound yesterday outside her home.

Santos's mother said Francois Reyes, a former member of the French national swim team, shot himself because he was despondent about breaking up with her daughter.

Mrs. Santos told reporters that Reyes left notes for her, her daughter and friends saying he was going to kill himself because he was to return to Hawaii to resume college and Miss Santos was to travel to Japan to continue modelling.

In the notes, Reyes also apologized for what he was about to do, said Miss Santos should not be blamed, and thanked the Santos family for letting him stay at their house over Christmas, Mrs. Santos said.

Mrs. Santos said Reyes kissed her daughter on the head just before he pulled the trigger of his rifle.

Department of Public Safety detectives were unable to question Miss Santos immediately because she was hysterical.

Miss Santos, 21, competed as Miss Guam in the 1980 Miss World beauty contest. She placed second, but was given the title when the winner, Gabriella Brum of West Germany, resigned less than three hours after she was crowned.

REFORM. — The Reverend Allan

Hendrickse, national leader of South Africa's biggest coloured political party, urged acceptance yesterday of the white-majority government's plan for granting parliamentary representation to mixed-race and Asian people.

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Sports

Junior star's great win in U.S. tennis

Post Sports Staff

Israel's Raviv Weidenfeld scored a terrific win when he captured the under-12 tennis title of the prestigious Rolex junior championships in Port Washington, New York, on Monday. "You've a champion for a son," his delighted father Tel Aviv dentist Jackie Weidenfeld telephoned his wife Sari. Raviv beat the tournament's second-seeded Jim Courier 6-2, 6-2 in the final.

Raviv's success was doubly impressive in that he had put out another talented American — David Dilibacia — the U.S. top player in this age group — in the three hard sets in the semi-final the previous day.

Dick Savitt, former Wimbledon champion and now the Israel Tennis Centre's tennis director, described the match as "one of the finest" he has ever seen in the junior game.

Zahavit Galon, Israel's hope in the comparable girls' event, was served a resounding defeat in the semi-finals where she was beaten 6-0, 6-1 by American Mary Jo Fernandez.

ITC launches new circuit

By JACK LEON

Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Junior tennis in Israel will be given a tremendous "push" by the Israel Tennis Centre's 1983 Gali Grand Prix Junior Circuit, a series of 16 tournaments for boys and girls of all ages to be held at the ITC's Ramat Hasharon, Jerusalem, Arad, Ashkelon, Haifa, Jaffa and Kiryat Shmona courts. A total of 5,000 youngsters under 18 are expected to compete in the year-long circuit, the press was told here yesterday.

Gali Sportsweek is contributing most of the \$60,000 budget of this unique programme. Prizes to the value of \$40,000 will include education trips to Wimbledon and other major overseas tennis meets, and a variety of gifts. No cash awards will be made. Under-18 winners will receive awards to the value of \$1,500, while, at the other end of the scale, under-nine top prizes are worth \$250. Special prizes are scheduled for good behaviour.

Narrow loss in basketball

Post Sports Staff

Israel's national basketball team lost by a single point, 81-82, to Hungary in their first match in the Four Nations Tournament in Stockholm. They led 52-43 at half-time but could not hold this advantage. Doron Jamchec scored 25 points and Howard Lasoff 16.

Great cricket in Sydney

SYDNEY (AP). — Australia seems to have the fifth and final Test in its grasp, but there is a long chance that the Englishmen may yet pull off a sensational win. Another absorbing finish seems certain.

At the close of play yesterday, Australia had built up an overall lead of 167, with seven second innings wickets in hand, with two more days to play. Today is a rest day.

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Watford has new striker

LONDON (AP). — Jimmy Gilligan, a 19-year-old striker playing only his third first-team match, scored both goals as Watford downed Manchester City 2-0 in an English First Division soccer match played on Monday night.

Gilligan, standing in for injured Ross Jenkins, was on target twice in the first half as Watford dominated the game.

He netted in the 25th and 37th minutes.

The victory lifted Watford into second place in the First Division standings, 10 points behind Liverpool.

Manchester City now have not won away since September.

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Interview with official receiver Amram Blum 'Everybody wants to see El Al flying again, I'm optimistic'

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Amram Blum has an airline in his pocket but wishes it would fall out and start flying again normally, as a scheduled airline should.

Blum is Israel's administrator-general and official receiver. On December 5, 1982 the Jerusalem District Court appointed him interim liquidator of Israel's troubled national airline. Since then he has been living with the problem of El Al day in, day out.

"Dismantling El Al wouldn't be a difficult task," Blum said in an interview yesterday. "The court has already issued an order of liquidation, and executing that order is now purely a discretionary matter. But almost everybody wants to see El Al flying again. That's why I am optimistic about the agreement we reached with the Histadrut last weekend."

Contrary to a TV news report Monday night, the recalcitrant pilots did not ask the court to invalidate the agreement, and Blum was hopeful that the first El Al passenger flight since last September's grounding to Johannesburg — would take off from Ben-Gurion Airport this morning.

"The agreement, confirmed Saturday night by Judge Ya'acov Bazak, is a good one," Blum claimed. "Management will manage and workers will work. Yes, a company's employees have rights. But those rights do not include authority to manage or set policy."

One of the most prominent "corrections" in the new pact concerns

shop stewards. "Until last weekend's pact, between 50 and 70 El Al shop stewards were receiving full pay and fringe benefits, including free flights, without performing any work for the company," Blum said. "That's finished. From now on, only one person — the representative of the consolidated works committee — will be given that treatment."

The new contract, which runs till March 1985, also provides for dismissal soon of 650 tenured employees, plus another 300 to 400 temporary workers. And that is not all. "During the life of the agreement," he noted, "management will have the right to dismiss up to 70 workers a year. If the number exceeds 70, the Histadrut could appeal and the matter will go to arbitration."

He added: "El Al must now take on the burden of a viable business concern and not a government agency, whose operations will be maintained regardless of economic feasibility by means of budgetary in-



Waiting to get the jet engines blasting off again.

fusions. There is a new management now. I foresee elimination of non-profitable routes and, possibly, closing down of offices that do not carry their weight.

"Even at Ben-Gurion Airport, El Al may well pull in its shoulders. Counter space there is costly. Perhaps several metres less will be enough, and that space could be leased to other airlines for a good price."

Blum believes elimination of Sabbath flights will also be a big help in rehabilitating El Al. "Ultra-Orthodox Jews travel a lot, and they have been alienated from El Al by its insistence on operating on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. I expect the new management will try hard to bring these travellers back to Israel's own airline. It won't be easy, but there is very much to gain."

1982 Bond sales yield record \$500 million

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cash sales for the Israel Bond Organization in 1982 exceeded the half billion dollar mark, it was announced here this week by Sam Rothberg, general chairman of the organization.

He reported that despite severe recession and record unemployment in the U.S., the proceeds of the Israel Bond Organization amounted to \$502,144,500 in 1982 as against \$432,958,900 in the previous year.

All proceeds from the Israel Bond programme flow into the development budget of the State of Israel to help finance its economic growth. Rothberg said that the increased results of 1982 reflected "the unbroken solidarity of the Jewish community with the people of Israel."

While there was criticism of Israel in some quarters as a result of the war in Lebanon, in his opinion, "it did not have a negative impact on Bond sales. On the contrary, the criticism stimulated wider response

in many circles to Israel's economic needs."

A major factor in the outcome for 1982, he said, "was the record results in synagogues and temples during the special High Holiday efforts conducted under the leadership of the Bond Organization's National Rabbinic Cabinet, headed by Rabbi Leon Kronish of Miami."

Another leading factor, according to Rothberg, was the par-

ticipation of the non-Jewish sector, where sales in 1982 were the highest in the history of the organization.

Among the outstanding highlights of the campaign last year, he said, were the Emergency Drive in the summer months to help offset the economic impact of Operation Peace for Galilee, and the Golda Meir Leadership Award Dinner, honouring William Belzberg of Los Angeles, the National Campaign Co-Chairman.

New methods show how to double citrus crop

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RA'ANANA. — Field trials in citrus orchards in the Sharon region have shown it is possible to increase citrus production by as much as 100 per cent.

The right combination of irrigation and fertilizer can do this, the experiments at Moshav Nardiya reportedly make clear.

Fertilizer was applied 12 times yearly instead of twice. The seasonal yield of oranges was raised

from 5.5 tons per dunam to eight.

The experiment was carried out by a team headed by Dr. Hanoach Blyor and Dr. Shmuel Dabberg from the Volcani Institute, and Dr. Yair Erner of the Agriculture Ministry.

The ministry estimates that if the method is applied throughout the country, it will be possible for citrus growers to break even despite the difficult conditions currently governing exports to Europe.

Battle over slaughterhouse recycling plant High cost of controlling smells

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — The Ministry of Health has threatened to close down the country's largest poultry slaughterhouse at Hod Hefer south of Hadera, unless something is done about bad smells caused by recycling of wastes.

The plant, which processes about 20,000 tons of chicken and turkey meat a year, daily recycles 30 tons of residues such as heads, feet, intestines, bones and blood. These residues are "cooked," dried and turned into meat powder, which finds its way into chicken feed. The meat powder at Hod Hefer alone saves the economy the need to import fish powder valued at over \$2 million a year.

The problem is that the recycling plant emits very bad smells. According to Malraz, the National Council for the Prevention of Noise and Pollution, these smells have caused severe headaches and nausea among residents of settlements near the slaughterhouse.

The principal of the Mevoztan technical school west of the plant recently wrote to Malraz and the Health Ministry, saying that teachers and pupils alike suffer from the pollution.

Malraz chairman Yedidya Be'eri, said that his organization has known about the pollution for about a year and a half especially in the wake of complaints by residents of moshav Hibat Zion, which is located only a few metres from the plant.

Be'eri said that he approached district health officer Mordechai Fleisher over a year ago, but nothing had been done.

Be'eri recently again approached Fleisher and Amos Dagan, the head of the Emeq Hefer regional council, warning that unless steps are taken soon, he will go to court to bring about the closure of the slaughterhouse.

Fleisher told *The Jerusalem Post* that the smells are a serious problem and he is trying to find a solution acceptable to all parties. He said that a meeting with the

management of Hod Hefer on the issue is set for tomorrow.

The Post has learned that the Ministry of Health plans to put pressure on Hod Hefer to take stronger measures to control the smells. Unless such steps are taken, the ministry may use its ultimate weapon and threaten to close down the plant.

A ministry official told *The Post* that they would prefer not to take any drastic steps and that if such a threat is carried out it could spell disaster for the 30-odd kibbutzim and moshavim which together own Hod Hefer and supply it daily with thousands of chickens and turkeys. The daily turnover at the plant is estimated to be \$6 million.

Naphtali Ben-Sira, the board chairman of Hod Hefer, told *The Post* that his board was very serious about ecology, and that the issue of the bad smells had caused them also a severe "headache." "We have been trying to improve the existing air purifying measures all the time, and we believe that the smells have abated," A Health Ministry official confirmed that tests made during the last few months by the ministry's mobile control unit (without the knowledge of the plant management) had shown signs of an improvement.

But the problem is that existing air purifying systems were built several years ago and these technologies are now outdated. They are also not the most suitable for Israel's climate. "After carefully studying the whole matter, we have come to the conclusion that an entirely new air purifying unit must be installed," the official said. Officials have visited Europe a number of times to study plants there, including some which are ten times larger than ours and located in the centre of cities — yet no smells are emitted.

Such a modern project will cost, according to some estimates about \$2 million. Slaughterhouse officials say they need an additional five dunams of land next to their plant to build this new plant, but they are not given the permits to purchase and build.

A health ministry official said that no permit would be forthcoming for any new plant until the smells from the existing slaughterhouse are first eliminated.

An official of Hod Hefer asked why they were the only ones at whom complaints were levelled. He said that all the recycling plants of slaughterhouses, about nine in all, have similar problems, but none seem to be located close to dwellings.

Trade Fair Centre expands

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Trade Fair Centre will hold a total of 24 exhibitions this year, it was announced this week by managing director Ya'acov Bar-Gera, including exhibitions on agricultural technology, food products, tourism, and industrial machinery. Last year, the centre staged 21 exhibitions, which attracted over 1,250,000 visitors from Israel and abroad.

The expanded exhibition programme has been facilitated by recent improvements to the centre's buildings and facilities. Bar-Gera said. A new Congress Centre, begun last year, will open this year, and be the venue for congresses and conferences.

The Congress Centre will be the largest and the first built exclusively for congresses and conferences in Tel Aviv. It will include a main hall capable of seating 3,000, together with a number of smaller meeting rooms, public areas, cafes and a new 800-seat restaurant.

It is also planned to build a 300-room hotel within the complex, located at the Exhibition Grounds. It will provide accommodation for conference and exhibition participants closer to the centre than other hotels. Also planned are a sports centre, including an Olympic-size swimming pool.

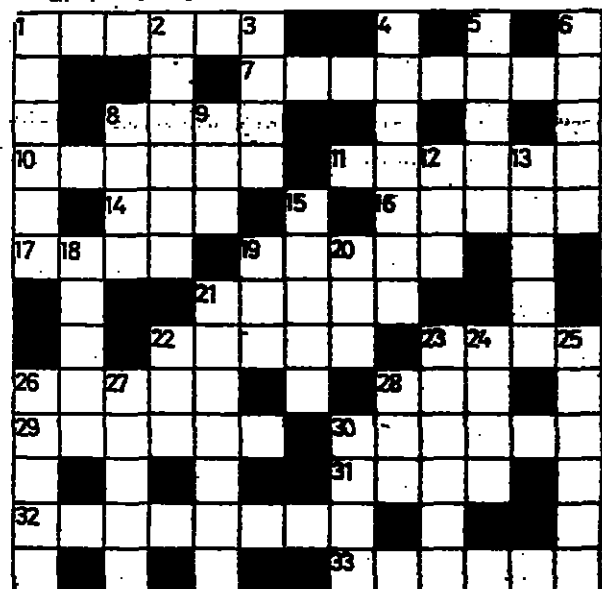
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- 10 Mitigates the wildness of a beast (6)
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- 14 Like the day we got to go out! (3)
- 16 Leads around the valleys (5)
- 17 A country figure, also (4)
- 19 Handed gin out (5)
- 21 Progressed a great distance with Ed (5)
- 22 Like some of the Constable country, it's flat (5)
- 23 It's thrown by many a man (4)
- 26 Sound, perhaps, but not quite so nice (5)
- 28 Little man sold short (3)
- 29 Builds some concrete shelters, possibly (6)
- 30 The illusion of motorway madness (6)
- 31 Crack a six straight down the line (4)
- 32 Find a record surplus (8)
- 33 City state (6)

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.



EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Stock animals (6)
- 7 Country-dweller (8)
- 8 Duck (4)
- 10 Harvester (6)
- 11 Valuable possessions (6)
- 14 Set (3)
- 16 Layers (5)
- 17 Prophet (4)
- 19 Mixed rain and snow (5)
- 21 Sightless (5)
- 22 Played (5)
- 23 City in Avon (4)
- 26 Airman (5)
- 28 Dry (3)
- 29 Esteem (6)
- 30 Dairy product (6)
- 31 Insects (4)
- 32 Pitching (8)
- 33 Grief (6)

DOWN

- 1 Woods (6)
- 2 Irritability (6)
- 3 Eternity (4)
- 4 Exploded (7)
- 5 Concur (5)
- 6 Traverse (5)
- 8 Fib (4)
- 9 Herb (3)
- 12 Pose (3)
- 13 Faith (5)
- 15 Worked at steadily (5)
- 18 Banishment (5)
- 19 Cunning (3)
- 21 Takes on loan (7)
- 22 Gaffer's peg (3)
- 23 Superior (6)
- 24 Deeds (4)
- 25 Famous public school (6)
- 26 Bubbles (5)
- 27 Tusk material (5)
- 28 Heat source (3)
- 30 Carriers (4)

DOWN

- 1 Instead of a voyage, make an attack (6)
- 2 One club (6)
- 3 Throw to the bottom of the abyss (4)
- 4 Poked with a rod (7)
- 5 What to throw in if you can't spell too well (5)
- 6 Damage to teeth? (5)
- 8 Crack some walnuts in the garden (4)
- 9 The little beast you love (3)
- 12 Beethoven's vehicle (3)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution

ACROSS — 1, Touch. 56, H-tch. 9, Aunties. 10, Least. 11, Aitch. 12, Ponds. 13, R-em-ovs. 15, Ten. 17, O-der. 18, Parade. 19, He-Roa. 20, Olive-R. 22, Rice. 24, Tot. 25, Liberal. 26, Ed-wm. 27, M-a-caw. 28, Eight. 29, Sailors. 30, Mesty. 31, Aside. DOWN — 2, Open-Ed. 3, Pastor. 4, Hut. 5, Athos. 6, Head-man. 7, I-sis. 8, Cock-Ed. 12, Pe-er. 13, Robot. 14, Merit. 15, Tapir. 16, New-el. 18, Pop in. 19, Headway. 21, Locate. 22, Remiss. 23, Cashed. 25, Little. 26, East. 28, E-R-A.

Yesterday's Easy Solution

ACROSS — 1, Scuff. 6, Douse. 9, Erected. 10, Merry. 11, Fells. 12, Sails. 13, Feeling. 15, Bee. 17, Idle. 18, Strong. 19, Trile. 20, Secure. 22, Mete. 24, Tir. 25, Devised. 26, Angel. 27, Shard. 28, Aught. 29, Illness. 30, Aside. 31, Heart. DOWN — 2, Chewed. 4, Ferule. 4, Fry. 5, Scrag. 6, Deflate. 7, Odor. 8, Sullen. 12, Snare. 13, First. 14, Elect. 15, Bore. 16, Egged. 18, Steel. 19, Trundle. 21, Eight. 22, Misuse. 23, Tether. 25, Deans. 26, Arid. 28, Ash.

Solutions to today's puzzle tomorrow

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13.00 An Hour with Loris Mazel
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13.10 Brahms: Symphony No. 3 (Israel Philharmonic).
13.15 Notes on a New Book
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20.05 Everyman's University
20.35 Opera — profile of the singer Jost Brofing.

33.25 Nancy Usher, viola; Kelvin Allan, piano — Britten: Laceraria, Op.48; Henze: Sonata (1979).
00.10 Jazz

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18.30 News roundup
18.32 Reiter's Anchorage
19.00 Between Citizen and State
19.30 News

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20.30 Lookout Point — bi-weekly science and technology magazine
21.00 Mabab Newsreel

ON THE AIR

First Programme

6.11 Musical Clock
7.07 This Morning — news magazine followed by Morning Melodies
8.05 Handel: Royal Fireworks Music; K. 315
8.15 Symphony: Concertante for Violin
8.20 Violin: Vivaldi (Stern, Zukerman).
English Chamber Orchestra, Barcelona.
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10.05 Musorgsky: Dance of the Slaves from Khovanshchina (Fistoulari); Khachatryan: Piano Concerto (Alcila

de la Torre)

10.10 All Shades of the Network — morning magazine

12.05 Open Line — news and music
13.00 Midday — news commentary, music
14.10 Matters of Interest — introduced by Gabi Gazi
16.10 Press Conference — introduced by Yitzhak Golan
17.10 Magazine
17.35 Of People and Places
18.05 Programmes for Senior Citizens
18.47 Bible Reading — Proverbs 16:1-8
19.00 Today — people and events in the news

20.10 Sephardi songs — recordings of live performances

21.05 Jazz Corner
22.05 Questions and answers on halachic matters

23.05 Good Evening from Jerusalem

Army

6.06 Morning Sounds
6.30 University on the Air — Dr. Tamar Golan lectures on the Awakening African Continent
7.07 "707" — with Alex Ansky
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Threat from the north

ONE OF THE MOST important gains from Operation Peace for Galilee was supposed to have been the thwarting, by a good few years, of Syria's plan to launch an offensive against Israel again. That was the inevitable result of Israel's crushing of Syria's military might in Lebanon, Defence Minister Sharon assured the nation. Prime Minister Begin went a step further with his forecast, not meant to be taken literally but still indicative of a trend of thought, that Israel could hence bank on forty years of peace.

Now all such cheerful predictions are being knocked into a cocked hat. Foreign Minister Shamir, his intention plainly to alarm, informed the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee on Monday of worrisome reports that Syria had recently received shipments of highly sophisticated Soviet weaponry of types never before made available to any Soviet ally. These, it was revealed on the radio yesterday, include SA-5 anti-aircraft missiles which represent the last word in Soviet military technology for their range — 250 kilometres.

Mr. Shamir was especially troubled by reports that Soviet crews might be manning such equipment, and that Syrian forces in Lebanon's Bekaa valley were being assured of the same protection extended to forces within Syria itself.

The immediate danger here is that Syria, feeling secure, might refuse to pull out of the Bekaa except on terms that would be unacceptable not only to Israel but to Lebanon and the Americans as well. The more serious, and slightly longer-range threat posed by the Soviet moves to help Syria is that Damascus would, by the end of 1983, fully replenish the armed stocks lost in the Lebanese campaign last summer, and that within another year these modern arms would become fully operational.

President Assad would thus achieve, on schedule, exactly the kind of "strategic balance" he has sought to establish between his country and Israel. Such a balance should enable Syria to wage, this time wholly unaided, a limited war for the recovery of the Golan Heights, in the manner of Egypt establishing a foothold in Sinai nearly a decade ago which eventually led to the recovery of the whole area. The progress of this Syrian plan has evidently not been impeded, but if anything furthered, by Operation Peace for Galilee.

For the operation has helped the Syrians discover in time — and prematurely, from the Israeli viewpoint — deficiencies in their armour and aerial defence which the Soviets are now in the process of making good.

All this is cause for legitimate concern in Israel. By voicing this concern in publishable form Mr. Shamir may have been putting President Assad on notice that Israel would not meet the challenge of Syria's rearmament, coupled as it is with aggressive intent, lying down. Whatever the action that is to be taken by Israel, however, it should for once be anchored in sober analysis, not in wishful thinking.

El Al's trimmed wings

IT NOW SEEMS reasonably certain that Israel's national carrier will resume services — if only on a limited basis — again soon, following three-and-a-half months of idleness decreed by El Al's management with the support of the government. Common sense appears to have prevailed, and while the airline's chequered history of labour relations is a warning against any hasty predictions, there is some ground for qualified optimism about the future.

Management has scored a victory of sorts, but this would have been impossible without the cooperation of the Histadrut. The final settlement is, in fact, another feather in the labour federation's cap, which has considerably enhanced its prestige as this country's workers' representative.

The Histadrut did not join the fray lightly. It did so only after that presumptuous, privileged and pampered group which consists of El Al's employees became convinced that, in the effort to keep as many of their jobs and as much of their income as possible, they had no better friend than the Histadrut.

In running the campaign for the workers as the Histadrut's chief strategist, Yisrael Kessar fought successful rear-guard action against the government, the temporary receiver, and paradoxically, the workers themselves, all at once. In the end, he wrang from the company a deal that secured fair income to all remaining workers of El Al, and fair compensation to those — 650 for a start — who are due to be dismissed.

El Al's fat cats, the pilots, are still holding out, but it need not be expected that their dissent will doom the agreement. If they persist in their refusal to go along, substitutes will most likely be found for them both at home and abroad.

What taxpayers are entitled to know is whether the confrontation between the airline and its workers was worth the expense, estimated by some knowledgeable persons at \$100m. This is a question the Knesset Finance Committee is to probe before it approves a retroactive government guarantee of \$146m. in past loans to El Al.

Some of the money lost in the confrontation will have been paid up by the workers themselves, in the form of unrealized earnings and accumulated leave. But the losses to the national economy in foreign currency earnings for flight and tourism services cannot be recovered. And the balance sheet must also include the final, silent surrender to Agudat Yisrael's demand for a ban on Sabbath flights, which will cost El Al, and the country, dear.

Yet arguably it was worth it all if it gained for the national carrier a few solid years of respite from labour trouble, and an assurance of regular and uninterrupted service. The new El Al would be leaner, but by the same token also sturdier — and better able to survive in today's harsh market conditions.

At the same time the government should be warned not to take the El Al solution as a paradigm for the national economy as a whole. Any attempt to universalize the experience of a show of strength with a relatively affluent, unpopular and replaceable worker body, is doomed to failure.

The tragedy of Greater Lebanon

By ABBA EBAN

THE MOST precious gift that Lebanon can bestow on Israel is the lesson of its own experience. This lesson is a gift that is ours for the asking. It does not have to be bargained about in Halde. And it towers high above other issues under discussion there.

We face the astonishing fact that a lucid study of Lebanon's experience should logically unlock the door of Israel's most acute predicament. The central question for Israel is whether we can afford to become another Lebanon.

For many decades, "Lebanon" was a compact Christian community, known in administrative terms as the "Sanjak of Lebanon" with a long tradition of autonomy, an atmosphere of friendship for the West and a link to the culture and language of France. On September 1, 1920 the French high commissioner announced the establishment of "Greater Lebanon" through the annexation of large neighbouring areas with a predominantly Moslem population. Everything of importance that has happened in Lebanon in the following 62 years has been influenced by that fateful decision.

The Maronites, who had created Lebanon's identity, found themselves living together with new populations — Greek Orthodox and Sunni Moslems in the north, Shi'ites from the Bekaa valley in the east, the Sunni-dominated towns of Tripoli and Sidon in the west and the city of Beirut with a 50 per cent Moslem population.

The Maronites might well have believed that the edict of September 1, 1920, marked the attainment of their highest ambition — an independent state of their own. But in fact, it paved the way for its disintegration as a distinctive and sovereign Christian entity.

An important and authoritative study of the Lebanese experience by Dr. Meir Zamir in the Spring 1982 edition of *The Jerusalem*

Quarterly ("Smaller and Greater Lebanon") leads to the following conclusion:

"The doubling of Lebanon's territory and the incorporation of such a large number of Moslems who now comprised nearly half of the population, upset the demographic structure and created serious problems in the attempt to integrate areas so politically, socially, economically and culturally different into one state... The root of the Lebanese problem then, as today, was the arbitrary annexation of large Moslem populations to a Christian state."

RECENT ACCESS to documents reveals that the French intention was not to pamper the Christians but, on the contrary, to conciliate the Moslems in Syria and, through them, the rest of the Moslem world at the expense of the Lebanese Christians.

Throughout the 1920s, those Lebanese and Frenchmen who cared for the idea of a Christian Lebanon urged a change of policy. They believed that "it would be in the interests of both France and the Lebanese Christians themselves to create a Lebanese state within a smaller area than was being demanded by the latter — a more compact state with a more homogeneous population and a clear Christian majority."

Some French statesmen and officials, such as Robert de Caix and Henri de Jouvenel, who had a bright vision of a Christian sovereignty in the Middle East became almost obsessive in their desire to reverse the disastrous decision of 1920 and to establish Christian nationhood by ceding Tripoli and part of the Bekaa Valley to Syria.

The Lebanese Maronites awoke belatedly to the fact that their territorial success threatened their Christian hegemony. A lively debate developed on the conflict

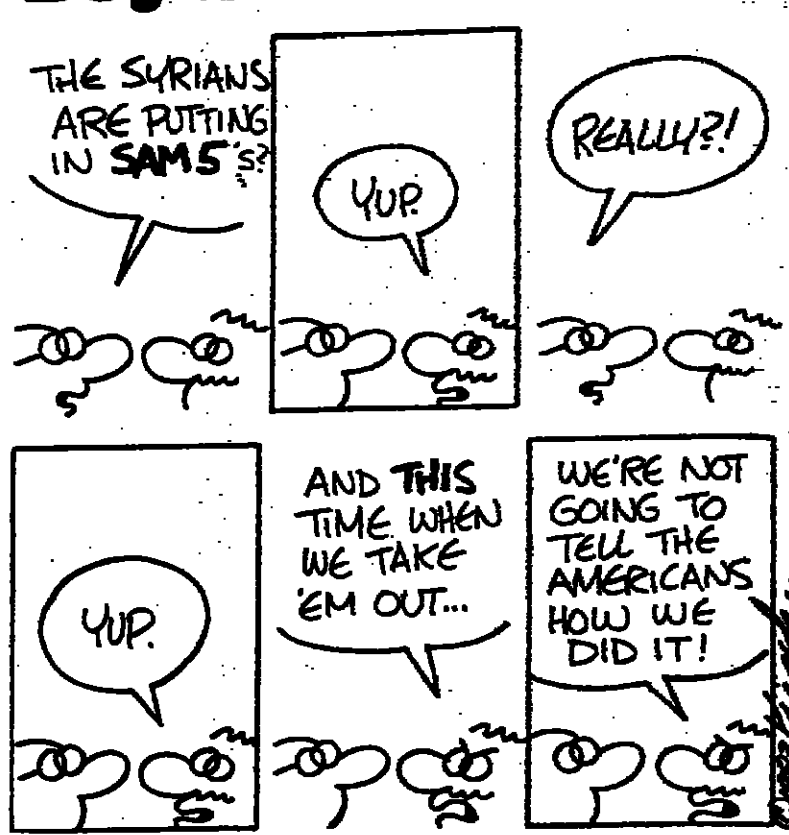
between territorial expansion and national cohesion. The Maronite leaders were deaf to the idea of renouncing what the 1920 decision had awarded them. With two Mediterranean ports, Beirut and Tripoli, their state seemed assured of a commercial and economic future beyond anything that would have been possible within the frontiers of a "Mount Lebanon" entity. Moreover, they were convinced that their superior culture, linked firmly to France, would ensure their permanent superiority over the less-developed Moslems.

Only the Maronites in the mountain area itself seemed to favour the cession of the Jabal Amel territory to Syria. Those who took this far-sighted view included Emil Eddé, the father of Raymond Eddé, who is now an exile in Paris. Another personality who shared this opinion was the editor George Samné. Dr. Meir Zamir writes:

"In a series of articles in his journal during 1921 and 1922, Samné... warned the Lebanese Christians that they faced two alternatives — either to remain independent with no links to Moslem Syria, in which case Lebanon's territory had to be reduced, or to retain its enlarged borders, thus necessitating cooperation with the rest of Syria and the renunciation of its role as a *foyer chrétien*... By striving to realize these two goals simultaneously, the Lebanese Christians were attempting to attain the impossible — in his words 'the squaring of a circle.'"

BUT THESE were minority voices. Most of the Christian leaders tried to square the circle; after the departure of the French mandatory administration there was a historic electoral contest. Bishara Khuri, who stood for a pluralistic society in which Christian and Moslem populations would create a new "Lebanese identity," won the elec-

Dry Bones



tion against Emil Eddé, who would have favoured a territorial compromise that would have maintained a strong Christian hegemony in a more compact framework.

Lebanon entered the post-war era as a tormented, divided society, seeking to resolve its inner contradictions by complex balancing arrangements under which constitutional power would be distributed along strict sectarian lines. A "Lebanese identity" never came into existence in any real terms of consciousness or allegiance.

The rest is modern history. The Maronites have paid a heavy price for the short-sightedness and territorial greed of the previous generation of their leaders. An astounding number of Lebanese have lost their lives in successive massacres and civil wars.

It is unlikely that a cohesive Maronite Christian state would have admitted the PLO into the country on the backs of hundreds of thousands of Palestine refugees.

And the scars have never been healed.

The irony is that Israeli forces now find themselves immersed in the undrained swamp of a conflict that is likely to convulse Israel if its lessons are ignored.

Will Jewish Israel go the way of Christian Lebanon? There are other case-histories which indicate the dangers of preferring territorial expansion to national harmony. There is a geographical element in the security of states and it cannot be ignored.

But what makes for the ultimate security of a society is its human texture, the power of its solidarities, the intensity of the bonds that hold its citizens together in a mutual rhythm of experience. To impose a unitary structure on peoples who do not hold the ends of life in common is to create a situation that is bound to be coercive, artificial and morally fragile.

If we are to have trade relations with Lebanon, we should begin by exchanging our most instructive and painful experiences.

READERS' LETTERS

IPO PROTEST

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — I feel that Mrs. Ruth Zmirin, in her letter of December 24, has done an injustice to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and to its Musical Director, Maestro Zubin Mehta.

I am one of the two initiators of the "overly polite" letter of complaint to Maestro Mehta, which was by the way signed by about 250 additional subscribers of the fourth Haifa subscription series. I did indeed get Maestro Mehta's reply to this letter and it is my intention to display his reply at our first concert of this season on January 3. The late start of our concert season was, by the way, one of our complaints.

But since our letter of complaint was brought through Mrs. Zmirin's remarks to the notice of the general public, I feel duty-bound to quote Maestro Mehta's reply:

"I have taken your letter of protest very seriously, and although I do admit that some of the soloists do not fall under the category of being on a very high internationally acclaimed level as yet, I do find the programmes in themselves very interesting and, as a series, quite balanced."

"There is a good mixture of concert favourites, e.g. Tchaikovsky — Symphony No. 5, Mahler — Symphony No. 1, and Rimsky-Korsakoff — "Scheherazade," as well as novelties like Reger — Mozart Variations, Weinberger — "Schwanda" and Stravinsky — Suite for Small Orchestra. In addition to this, there is a good representation of 20th century music, such as: Shostakovich — Piano Concerto, Berg — Violin Concerto, and the world premiere of Avni — Programme Music 1980. I do not think that such programming can be taken lightly."

"My soloist on June 28 has still to be determined, and we are at the moment trying our best to obtain the services of one of your favourite artists."

"However, in planning next season's programmes, we will keep your request close to our hearts and hopefully come up with programmes that will please you more."

We should not forget that the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra is one of the greatest cultural assets this country has, and must also understand their difficulties in planning programmes to everybody's taste.

MOSHE NIMROD

Haifa.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — On November 30, a news item appeared in the business page concerning introduction of the "first" shuttle service by a car rental company for passengers and their luggage arriving at Ben-Gurion Airport.

A fully airconditioned Hertz courtesy minibus was introduced by our company two years ago for this purpose.

J. BOHBOUTH, General Manager, Hertz Rent A Car (Israel) Ltd. Tel Aviv.

AMERICAN DOUBLESPEAK

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — The September 1 speech by President Reagan was not the same peace-plan-with which Prime Minister Begin, opposition leader Shimon Peres, and the Arab governments were presented.

On August 31, U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis brought to Prime Minister Begin what is called here in the U.S. "Talking Paper," or "Talking Points," or "Reagan's Letter." The differences between the "Talking Points" and the televised "Speech" explain why Begin reacted so vehemently and abruptly to such a reasonable, pleasantly presented, bold initiative for peace as Reagan's televised speech appeared to be. Begin has been criticized by his friends and enemies for such an undignified outburst. Many American Jews were embarrassed by such an unseemly display of rejection against Israel's only apparent ally in today's world.

The Talking Points were also designed by Secretary of State George P. Shultz, and shown to Shimon Peres, who gave it his qualified support.

The Talking points were also offered to the Arab countries before Begin saw them. Shultz received encouragement from the Arabs prior to the President's official speech.

THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — The families of the fallen of the Jewish Brigade would like to draw attention to an important national and ethical problem, namely the perpetuation of the memory of the young people of the pre-state Yishuv who gave their lives for Israel.

In accordance with the policy of our pre-state institutions, the Yishuv's sons enrolled in Jewish units during World War II and, in the course of their lengthy service, they formed the Jewish Brigade. The cream of our youth were sent on special missions in the firm conviction that, after the war, representatives of the Yishuv would participate in the subsequent negotiations on an equal footing with other nations, just as they had participated in the fight against the Nazis.

In "recognition" of their sacrifice, the State and its institutions have forgotten the tremendous contribution of these young people. They are being excluded from the annals of our history. No decent memorial has been set up in their honour. The families of the fallen have asked for years that their

names — 33 of them are still buried in remote places in Italy — should be engraved on the memorial on Mount Herzl in honour of the Yishuv's sons who fought and died abroad. (This memorial carries no names at present.)

On Remembrance Day, the grief of the families is magnified because their sons' graves are not in Israel and they have no place to gather to recall their memories.

The families of the fallen of the Brigade want to participate in all memorial services as a right, alongside the families of all soldiers who died in Israel's wars.

Please help us commemorate our loved ones who gave their young lives for their country, to which they did not return.

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NEONATOLOGY

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — The recent *Post* article "Today" — November 26, justifiably extolling the virtues of premature baby units such as those at Beilinson Hospital is, unfortunately, falsely reassuring to those who are concerned about the care of all the newborn infants in Israel. The reality is that the combination of government and Kupat Holim policy and regulations has created a situation wherein the total system is on the verge of collapse and the successes of the past few years will be reversed.

This crisis stems from the absurd situation that the newborn infant is not considered a patient under himself and thus no payment for days of treatment is provided to the hospitals for the astronomical costs entailed in caring for these desperately ill infants. The average cost for a premature infant weighing less than one kilogramme at birth is \$17,000. The National Insurance Institute pays approximately \$400 in total for the care of both the "mother and child," which does not begin to cover the cost of intensive care for the premature infant, especially in those specially designed tertiary care regional centres, such as those under our direction. As a result, the individual hospitals are "required" to absorb totally the cost for such care — a situation which does not occur; as far as we are aware, in the case of any other type of patient at any other age.

The newborn infant is thus a medical administrative orphan of the Israeli health care system — a

uniquely negative feature when compared to other advanced health care systems. As a result, the hospitals can no longer continue and the rising costs have already led to curtailment of beds and services. It would be irresponsible and indeed impractical for every hospital to attempt to provide its own newborn intensive care services which require a very elaborate support system, and yet the failure to adequately compensate the regional centres means that they cannot accept infants from other hospitals.

The ultimate irony, however, is the fact that the worldwide recognised speciality of neonatology is not recognised legally here in Israel either by the Health Ministry or by the Israeli Medical Association. Thus the speciality which is responsible for the dramatic decrease in neonatal mortality and morbidity is all too often excluded from the critical policy-making forums of the Israeli health care system.

While we are grateful for the publicity given to the successes in Israel of newborn intensive care, we feel it is incumbent on us to alert the public to the crisis of newborn care that is already on hand.

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